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Canadians visit Grumman as part of NFA proposal

The Grumman F-14 air superiority fighter is one of six contenders in the competition to provide Canada with a new multi-role fighter aircraft for the 1980's and beyond.

Canada's Department of National Defence issued requests for its New Fighter Aircraft (NFA) proposal in September. Though proposal deadline is February 1, 1978, an eight-member team from the NFA Program Office and a Canadian Forces Maintenance Evaluation Team recently visited Grumman to familiarize themselves with the F-14 Tomcat and the company's activities.

Fighter update

Canada is prepared to spend approximately $1.8-billion for new fighters currently available on the market to meet its sovereignty, surveillance and air defense requirements at home and to fill attack-defense roles with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) forces in Europe.

When delivered, the new aircraft will replace the CF-101 Voodoo and the CF-104D Starfighter, which entered the Canadian Forces in the late 50's, and two squadrons of CF-5's, which will be converted into advanced training aircraft in the early 80's.

Aircraft being evaluated by the NFA Program Office are: the Grumman F-14 Tomcat, the McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle, the General Dynamics F-16, the McDonnell Douglas/Northrop F-18 Hornet, the French Mirage 2000, and the Panavia Tornado.

According to Senior Vice President-Administration John O'Brien, the emphasis in Canada is on a long-range, high-altitude, high-speed fighter to intercept unidentified aircraft, as well as for use in anti-marine surface operations as part of its North American air defense commitment.

Canadian defence officials have also stated previously that for its in-country use, a two-engine fighter will be required as a safety factor because of the large expanse of territory that must be covered.

"Both factors provide the Grumman F-14 with a competitive edge," says O'Brien.

Future impact

Another of the determining factors in choosing the winning aircraft will be the extent of industrial benefits offered by competitive aircraft manufacturers to Canadian industry—otherwise known as "offset."

"In other words, the Canadian government is putting approximately $1.8-billion into the U.S. economy. They want to know what reciprocal benefits will be generated from American industry back into the Canadian economy," states O'Brien.

"Should Grumman Aerospace win the NFA proposal, it would result in $1.8-billion input into the American economy—and jobs at Grumman over the next five to seven years. Such an aircraft contract would come at a time when the company's production activities would be at the 'down-plan' stage," points out O'Brien.

"As part of the NFA proposal, Canada wants aircraft manufacturers to include in their proposal a 15-year plan of what the bidders will 'pump' back into the Canadian economy.

"For example, should Grumman decide to expand its truck body manufacturing it would set up a plant in Canada," states O'Brien. "It would not only mean meeting part of our NFA proposal, it would also result in an international expansion of Grumman activities."

Meet the Tomcat. *Grumman Aerospace Chairman and President George Skurla (3rd R) and Calverton General Manager Tom Merritt (3rd L) escorted NFA Program Office members (L to R) Lt. Col. Stu Esdaille, Bob Bradshaw, Paul Church, Lt. Col. Pete Hume, Lt. Col. Ned Henderson, Col. Derrick Young, Petra Pearlman, and NFA Program Manager Brig. Gen. Paul Manson, along F-14 flight line at Plant 7.*

At the Grumman International office in Ottawa, Al Hall is serving as Grumman Aerospace sales manager with Bill Schultz as his assistant. Fred Raymes is heading Grumman Aerospace's "offset" effort with Canadian industry. The overall proposal package is being performed in the Plant 5 Proposal Center.

Two weeks ago, Brig. Gen. Paul Manson and seven members from the NFA Program Office visited Grumman. During their three-day stay, the Canadian team met with Grumman Aerospace Chairman and President George Skurla and other top company officials to familiarize themselves with Grumman's facilities and resources. The same NFA Program team will visit with other competing aircraft companies before the February proposal deadline. The NFA Program office is expected to make its recommendations by the middle of next year.

As part of the NFA Proposal evaluation, the Canadian Forces Maintenance Evaluation Team (MET), led by Maj. Al Haggart, also toured Grumman recently.

At the Bethpage and Calverton facilities, the visitors viewed the F-14A production build-up, and through actual demonstrations on the Tomcat were able to evaluate the maintenance, servicing, and weapons-loading of the F-14.

Following their visit to Grumman, the Canadian team visited Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia to observe F-14A maintenance under actual operating conditions and to obtain the U.S. Navy's assessment of its maintenance and support requirements.

people

Grumman Aerospace Chairman and President George Skurla has been named a Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

The AIAA's board of directors selected Skurla "for his outstanding leadership in the field of aerospace technology and management, and for his singular and significant contributions to the NASA Apollo program to land a man on the moon and return him safely to the earth."

Skurla will be honored at the AIAA's 14th annual meeting and technical display in Washington, D.C. in February.

New posts

Among those who recently received changes in assignments were: DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS—Karl Gustafson, manager, Skills Training, Pl. 39; in Engineering Henry Janiesch has been appointed engineering manager, EA-6B Program, Pl. 40; and in Integrated Logistics Support Bernard Yudin has been promoted to support program manager, F-14 in Pl. 1; BETHPAGE OPERATIONS—John Kerr, assistant manager, Stock/Inventory/RCC/CMC and HUF; William Lohrer, supervisor, Plant Material Coordination; and John Giordano, group leader, Stockrooms, all located in Pl. 2; MANUFACTURING—in the Advanced Program Estimates Department Vincent Morgan, Space, Composites, Energy Systems, Data Bank; and Robert McWilliams, Aircraft Estimating, Commercial Programs, Subcontracts, and Research and Development, both appointed section head; also, the Resources and Planning Project Management Group, which has been established for program coordination of activities such as estimating, scheduling, budgeting, man-power planning, change planning/control, equipment/facility planning, and performance measurement, has appointed the following, in addition to their present responsibilities, to project manager: Edward Agolia, E-2C; Richard Walker, Shuttle, both in Pl. 25; John Maier, A-6E; Edward Fitzgerald, EA-6B; and Anthony Carnesi, Commercial, all in Pl 40; OPERATIONS QUALITY—Norma Aschner, manager, Operations Quality Administration, Pl. 35; and Robert Pargmann, who, in addition to his current duties, has been appointed chairman of the Isotope Committee, Pl. 2; and in CALVERTON OPERATIONS—Jack Schroeder, manager, Planning and Project Coordination.

Piece of cake

"Let them eat cake."

Marie Kane of Department Management Operations in Plant 35 figures that's the best way to celebrate any occasion. But instead of picking up an Entenmann's Banana Crunch at the supermarket, Marie has been making personalized cakes for delighted friends and co-workers.

Shown here with the big blue Grumman ball cake and the Grumman badge cake she made for Bob Ohrtman's 25th anniversary in the company, Marie says she has never taken any lessons or courses in cake decorating. "I'd love to go to school for it, though," Marie says. "I'm sure there are lots of techniques and short cuts I could learn." The badge cakes take about two-and-a-half hours just to decorate.

Over the years, Marie has developed quite a repertoire of goodies. She once made a pink elephant cake for a friend who is fond of martinis, and a Playboy bunny cake for another friend who is fond of Playboy bunnies. Others have received ship cakes, flower cakes, and flag cakes. Jake Bussolini, director of Corporate Estimating Technology, has a private pilot's license—and Marie made him an edible airplane.

Marie Kane

"I love doing it," says Marie. "The people I work with are really terrific, and it's fun to make them feel special."

Her most ambitious project? "Well, once I made a typewriter cake for Chris Tulli. It was an IBM Selectric."

Top that, Sara Lee.

Have a heart. *The Nassau and Suffolk Chapters of the American Heart Association (AHA) are raffling off a $50,000 'dream home' donated by the L.I. Builders Institute. Above, Jack Rettaliata (C), Grumman Corporation Vice President-Community Relations, purchases raffle book from Susan Roth, AHA Public Relations director. Charlie Fuschillo (R), director of Employee Services, reports that the raffle tickets ($1 each, 6 for $5) for the three bedroom ranch in Lake Grove are now on sale at all ES offices.*

obituaries

CHARLES J. WEBBER of Sub-Assy., Pl. 36, died October 8 at the age of 53. He worked for the company since 1950 and resided at 20 Maple Ave., Glen Cove.

JOHN S. BRUDER of Conv. Mach., Plant 3, died October 14 at the age of 58. He had been working with Grumman since 1957 and lived at 1425 Thompson Dr., Bay Shore.

JOHN T. COSTELLO of A/C Sys. Serv., Plant 94, died October 14 at the age of 55. He worked for the company since 1944 and resided at 3100 Watergate Lane, Virginia Beach, Va.

Personals

My family and I wish to thank all our friends for their kind expressions of sympathy during the recent loss of my father. Walter Bieber

My family and I wish to thank Grumman Employee Services and friends for their kindness expressed in the recent loss of my father, Salvatore Pizzichemi. Rose Bruno

I would like to thank all my friends and associates at Grumman for their kindness and thoughtfulness during my recent illness. Donald Dumermuth

To my many friends at Grumman, coworkers, and Employee Services, I want to say thank you for your concern, flowers, cards, gifts, calls, and prayers during my recent recuperation from surgery. God bless you all. Lydia Dunne

My family and I wish to thank all the Plant 6 and 7 Production Control personnel for their kind considerations. Tom Goddard

The many kind expressions of sympathy, the ES flowers, the generous donations to my wife's favorite activity, which were offered on her recent passing, were all most comforting and deeply appreciated by me and my family. LeRoy Jaret

I would like to thank all my friends at Grumman for their thoughtfulness during my recent bereavement. Ruth Moorhead

My family and I wish to express our appreciation to my friends, co-workers, and Employee Services for their generosity and thoughtfulness in the recent death of my mother. Anna Schuman

Thank you sincerely for sharing my sorrow at the moment of my father's passing. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated and will always be remembered. Adela Sotelo

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my friends and Employee Services for the kindness and sympathy shown during the recent loss of my mother. Lucille Willox

I would like to thank my friends at Grumman for their expressions of sympathy to me and my family on the loss of my father, Bill. Bob Kenney

I wish to thank my fellow workers and Employee Services for their cards, gifts, and calls during my recuperation from my accident. Rudolph Lemp

On behalf of myself and the family of Peter S. Mezzapelle's, we would like to thank our Grumman family for their genuine concern and thoughtfulness in our recent bereavement. Your kindness will always be remembered. Rose Mezzapelle

We wish to thank our friends, coworkers, and the Employee Service office for their generosity and expressions of sympathy during our recent loss. Howard and Karen Olsen

Salute 14 top idea men at annual luncheon

Good ideas paid off twice for 14 Project Sterling winners. At the 11th annual Project Sterling luncheon at the Linden Tree on October 18, the 14 Grummanites received bonus U.S. Savings Bonds for top cost-savings ideas that had earned them regular bond awards in 1976.

Eleven awards were given at the luncheon; three of them shared. The team of Carl Rappold and Richard Arpen from Plant 6 Structures walked away with top honors . . .engraved silver bowls and $1,500 in Savings Bonds. Their suggestion resulted in the redesign of the complete forward left cockpit floor on both the A-6E and A-6A/E aircraft.

Statistics released at the luncheon showed that for the year 1976, 2,452 suggestions were approved out of 2,909 submitted. From the approved group, 509 received bond awards and the remainder received gift certificates. In all, $114,800 in awards was distributed. The associated savings to the company from the award-winning suggestions was $11,687,300.

Executive Vice President Ralph "Doc" Tripp. who presented the awards, called the Project Sterling winners. "the backbone of the company. It's people like you with good ideas that enable us to do a good job for less money. You keep the company going."

Second-level winners of an engraved silver bowl and a $500 U.S. Savings Bond were: Albert Helrigel of Plant 27, whose original award totaled $500; Cliff Seaman of Plant 3, whose original award totaled $2,400; Sidney Hale of Plant 15, whose idea originally netted him $300; William Meininger of Plant 56, whose initial award was for $1,175; and Moses Ebron Jr. of Plant 1, whose award came to $1,750.

Third level winners of a $100 U.S. Savings Bond were: Frank Santagata of Plant 3; the team of Douglas Grundy of Plant 35 and John Wills of Plant 1; Louis Sales of Plant 43; the team of Vito Palazzolo and Robert Ragusa of Plant 2; and Charles Griffaton, Plant 14.

Sterling ideas. *Executive Vice President Ralph "Doc" Tripp (R) presented U.S. Savings Bond and silver bowls to top suggesters Carl Rappold (2-L) and Richard Arpen (3-L), shown here with Calverton Operations General Manager Tom Merritt.*

Get new posts

Several Grummanites have received new assignments during the past several weeks.

Gerald Sandler is now director of the newly formed Software Systems Department, reporting to Larry Mead, Senior Vice President-Departmental Operations. Sandler is located in Plant 35 on Ext. 3220.

The new director of the Supplier Surveillance Department is Anthony Collura. He reports to Phil Vassallo, Vice President, director of Corporate Procurement Operations, and is in Plant 30, Ext. 6181.

As the newly appointed deputy director, Robert Byrnes reports to Joseph Cipp, director of Material Distribution. He is in Plant 21 on Ext. 3510.

The new director of the Grumman Athletic Association is Chet Baumgartner. He reports to Dan Knowles, director of Personnel, and is located in the GAA building, Ext. 2133.

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He gets inside view of United Way

Since the middle of September, Mel Rabinowitz has been wearing two hats.

Mel, who is deputy director of Planning Controls and Budgets, has been working for the United Way for the past few weeks as a "loaned executive."

Grumman is one of 24 firms on Long Island that lends employees to the United Way as part of corporate participation in the campaign. The employee remains on his own company's payroll, but gives his services to the United Way.

"It's a terrific program," says Mel, "and it's been a very interesting and personally rewarding experience for me." Like the other loaned executives, Mel is responsible for about 30 companies on Long Island. He visits the chief executives of these companies and encourages them to start United Way campaigns for their employees.

"So far, the response has been excellent. . .the majority of the firms I've visited have signed up. Actually, I think I've become a pretty good salesman for the United Way because I'm completely sold on it myself. It's a super organization."

However, Mel's enthusiasm for the United Way wasn't always that great.

"Before I became involved in the program, I guess I looked at the United Way a little differently from the way I do now. I was brought up to believe that it's important to help other people, and it also seemed like the right thing to do from a corporate point of view.

"When I was told that I was going to be Grumman's loaned executive, well, quite frankly, I accepted the assignment with some misgivings. It was going to mean a lot of time away from my work here, and possibly some aggravation.

"But now, after seeing for myself the work that the United Way does, my reasons for supporting it have become very personal ones. Before, I was doing it because I was asked. Now I'm doing it because I really believe in it."

As part of his orientation for the Loaned Executive program, Mel went on tours of several United Way-funded agencies. "That's what really impressed me the most," Mel says. "We visited schools for mentally retarded children, schools for emotionally disturbed children. The care and attention that those kids get is something you've just got to see. . .the people who work there are completely devoted.

A way to help

"We also went to a senior citizens' center where older people go for a hot lunch program and nutritional guidance. You know, you read in the papers about old people who can't hack it and are forced to exist on dog and cat food, and you think, there's got to be some kind of answer, some way to help. Well, maybe this is it. . .this is a way to help.

"The United Way touches a whole spectrum of human needs. We've got to make sure help is there when it's called for."

Another thing about the United Way that impresses Mel is its efficiency. "The whole organization runs on volunteers. . .over 15,000 of them," he says. "The United Way of Nassau-Suffolk operates with only five full time paid professionals.

"Because of my job here at Grumman, I have an understanding of manpower and overhead and budgets. The United Way has an overhead of only about 14%—so that almost 86¢ out of every dollar they receive goes directly to some human-care agency. That's a very efficient operation!"

Mel Rabinowitz

R.L. Lentino | W. Logan | L.J. Kinsley | E. Jenkins Jr. | M.S. Keker | E. Neves | C.A. Greening | W.T. Gallagher | W. Fredrickson

T.S. Baylis | A. Domino | A.T. Jackson Jr. | J. Koltunovich | F.R. Tobin | G. Smith | F.J. Pascale | S.R. Middleton | I.E. Lazzara

G.R. Crockett | J.H. Smith

Happy 25th anniversary!

A. Spindler | C.J. Bradley

L.A. DiAgostino | H. Shachmut | V.D. Hynes | J.J. Ragonese | G. Prunitis | J. Casassa | M.P. Moriarty | A. Smith | L. Ascosi

G.D. Sherwin | R.K. Smith | W.C. English | D. Hassell | J. Costanzo | W. Minicozzi | D.M. Ludlam | G.A. Semertgis | H.A. Faeth

P.P. Siani | F.J. Beckert | W.M. Mistretta | T.J. McKeon Jr. | A.F. Lazarek | J.R. Allen | E.M. Martone | J.T. Clifford | A.D. Howe

service milestones

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Nelson J. Vosburgh, Dets. and Subs. Fab. Mgmt. (2)
Lawrence M. Holzapfel, Factory Plng. (2)
Frank Kirby, Prod. Supv. (5)
Robert M. Barrarine, Prod. Cntl. (43)

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Zigmund J. Choinski, Hydraulics (1)
Walter J. Bruns, Mods/Methods Status (2)
John J. Page, Invent. Cntl. (6)
Francis A. Martila, Flt. Ops. (7)
Jack E. Campbell, Elements and Mat. Test. (12)
Herbert E. Anderson, Sec. and Pers. Serv. Mgmt. (28)
Robert P. Gregory, Wing Inner Panel and Combo. (36)
John E. Skelly, Maint. Admin. (56)
Robert C. Miller, vice-president and director, EA-6B (40)
Frank J. Colandro, Public Affairs, Grumman Corp. (HQ)

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Robert L. Lentino, Sub-Assy. Maj. (1)
William Logan, Sub-Assy. (1)
Daniel Zebart, Fuse. Fwd. Sub. and Maj. (1)
Letson J. Kinsley, Final Assy. (1)
Ernest Jenkins Jr., Prod. Supv. (1)
Michael S. Keker, Stockrooms (1)
Ernest Neves, Reqts. Plng. (1)
Chester A. Greening, Mfg. Scheduling (1)
William T. Gallahger, ILS Elect. Engg. (1)
William Fredrickson, Router and Shear (2)
Thomas S. Baylis, Small Parts Fab. (2)
John W. Haugh, Parts Paint (2)
Anthony Domino, Sub-Assy. Maj. (2)
Arthur T. Jackson Jr., Hydraulics (2)
Donald F. Ormond, Hydraulics (2)
John Koltunovich, Hydraulics (2)
Frank R. Tobin, Prod-Cntl-Parts (2)
George Smith, Prod-Cntl-Parts (2)
Frank J. Pascale, Prod-Cntl-Parts (2)
Stanton R. Middleton, Prod. Plng. (2)
Ignazio E. Lazzara, Business Mgt. (2)
George R. Crockett, Mfg. Sys/Doc. (2)
John H. Smith, Templates (2)
Albert Spindler, Templates (2)
Charles J. Bradley, Tool Cntl. (2)
Robert S. Clarke, Cent. Storage and Retrieval (2)
Louis A. DiAgostino, Trans-Ops. (2)
Helen Shachmut, Repro Serv. (2)
Vincent D. Hynes, Prog. Contracts (2)
Joseph J. Ragonese, Router and Shear (3)
George Prunitis, Press (3)
Jerome Casassa, Press (3)
Maurice P. Moriarty, Spot Weld (3)
Alvin Smith, Engraving (3)
Leonard Ascosi, Wing Sub-Assy. (3)
Gregory D. Sherwin, Wing Final Assy. (3)
Robert K. Smith, Wing Final Assy. (3)
William C. English, Mfg. Admin. (3)
Douglass Hassell, QC Tech. Serv. (3)
Joseph Costanzo, Final Assy. Struct. (4)
William Minicozzi, Airport Ops. (4)
Donald M. Ludlam, Insp-Mech. (4)
Gus A. Semertgis, Flt. Trans. (4)
Henry A. Faeth, Conv. Mach. (5)
Patsy P. Siani, Static Test (5)
Frank J. Beckert, Mech. Struct. and Proto. (5)
William M. Mistretta, Mech. Struct. and Proto. (5)
Thomas J. McKeon Jr., Supp. Equip. Prod. (5)
Anthony F. Lazarek, Trans-Ops. (5)
John R. Allen, Presentation Serv. (5)
Eugene M. Martone, Struct/Mech/Environ. Test Stf. (5)
John T. Clifford, Fluids (6)
Andrew D. Howe, Ordnance (6)
Robert E. Dory, Structures (6)
Eugene S. Whiting, Structures (6)
Melba R. Malaer, Structures (6)
Walter H. Rumpel, Elect. Bench Assy. (6)
Cornelius W. Baan, Plant Stores (6)
Vinton R. Soyars Jr., Trans-Ops. (7)
William H. Herrmann, Flt. Dev. Ops. (7)
Stella Havens, Prod. Mgmt. and Stf. (8)
Saul Feirman, B/P Warehouses (21)
John J. Mulligan, B/P Warehouses (21)
John H. Husch, Cent. Rec. (24)
John C. Totten, Rec-Insp-Plng/Methods (24)
Ronald M. Pfeffer, Mfg. Resources (25)
Bernard R. Smith, Mfg. Scheduling (25)
Francis E. Pape, Seller Surveillance (30)
Thomas Harding, director, Material Mgmt. (30)
Anthony M. Gurnari, ILS Estimating (30)
Donald E. Foley, Environ. Test. and Cntl. (31)
Vincent G. Taibbi, Research Tech. Supp. and Ops. (35)
Robert L. Ohrtman, Engg. Mgmt. and Stf. (35)
William J. Warren Jr., Cent. Sect. Final (36)
George Norris, Wing Inner Panel and Combo. (36)
William Parson, Prod. Supv. (36)
John V. Carney, ILS Rf/Cntls. (40)
George F. McGrath, Drafting (40)
Daniel J. O'Neill, P.M. EA-6B (40)
John Nevins, Circuit Analy. (43)
Joseph J. Feneck, Elect. Box Pan. and Draw. Fab. (43)
Rudy A. Wolmart, Prod. Rel. and Analy. (43)
Roy V. Johnson, Elect. Cable Fab. (44)
Thomas R. Foley, Elect. Harn. Fab. (44)
Dominick P. Chico, Elect. Cable Fab. (44)
Joseph D. Rayll, Invent. Mgt. (44)
Richard J. Kleinhans, Invent. Mgt. (44)
John C. Jolly Jr., Invent. Mgt. (44)
William S. Lamberta, Mgt. Function (60)
Franklyn Rule, Operations (66)
Richard A. VanDeusen, A/C Sys. Serv. (75)
Vincent M. Dellapi, Indust-Engg. (77)
David E. DeBetham, Supp. Equip. Serv. (80)

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Luncheon note

This year's 25-year luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 13. All Grummanites who have served 25 years or more with the company are invited to the mid-day affair at Colonie Hill, Hauppauge. Invitations will be mailed shortly.

R.E. Dory | E.S. Whiting | M.R. Malaer | W.H. Rumpel | V.R. Soyars Jr. | S. Havens | S. Feirman | J.J. Mulligan | J.H. Husch

R.M. Pfeffer | F.E. Pape | T. Harding | A.M. Gurnari | V.G. Taibbi | R.L. Ohrtman | W.J. Warren Jr. | G. Norris

W. Parson | G.F. McGrath | N. Nevins | J.J. Feneck | R.A. Wolmart | R.V. Johnson | T.R. Foley | D.P. Chico | J.D. Rayll

V.M. Dellapi

D.E. DeBetham

J.W. Torkelsen

E.A. Maroney

S. Stassi

R.W. Bradshaw

S. Conforti

M. Crescenti

J. Balke

milestones

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John W. Torkelsen, Base Mgmt. (88)
Edward A. Maroney, Production (88)
Salvatore Stassi, Quality Cntl. (88)
Mason O. Mosley, ILS Logistics Serv. (95)
Robert W. Bradshaw, Secretary, Grumman Corp. (HQ)

Also included in this month's anniversaries are Salvatore Conforti, Production (88), Marie Crescenti, Food Serv. (5), and John Balke, Alodine (3).

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William Willemsen, EBW — Machining (2)
William R. Feigel, Assy. Tool. and Hand. Equip. (2)
William C. Wollman, Mach. Engg. (5)
Benedict J. Gaylo, Prod. Mgmt. and Stf. (8)
Lawrence B. Hennessey, Prog. Contracts (25)
Roland P. Henault, Maint-Facl. Equip. and Gen. (27)
Vincent J. Tascarella, Corp. Proc. Ops. Mgt/Stf. (30)

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James H. Olin III, Elect. Fab. (1)
Edward A. Goellner, ILS Tech. Serv. (1)
Morton S. Kraten, ILS Tech. Serv. (1)
Alan M. Turrell, Tech. Reqt. (1)
James M. Miesiehowski, Small Parts Fab. (2)
Walter F. Wright, Fuselage Joining (2)
Ronald K. Hammond, Mfg. Tech. Prod. (2)
Joseph J. Daley, Jig. Dets. and Sub-Assy. (2)
Bernard C. Boyle, Metal and Welding Engg. (2)
Frederick W. Schwarz, Insp-Mech. (2)
Floyd T. Cisco Jr., Conv. Mach. (3)
Gary N. Carlsen, Honeycomb Final (3)
Harold W. Peterson, Maint-Rearrangement (3)
Stanley P. Bartoszek, Insp-Mech. (3)

Get ready

The next photo appointment for November anniversaries will be on Monday, October 31. Notices for the appointments will be sent out shortly.

The next edition of PLANE NEWS will be distributed on Friday, November 11.

Stanley F. Pokora Jr., Out-of-Prod.Spares (4)
Scott G. Chrysler, Offset Dev. (5)
Anthony Lombardi, Elect. Install. (6)
Thea A. Bunns, Structures (6)
Luiz S. Rocha, Prod. Deputy and Sta. Foreman (6)
Edward P. Harris, Final Assy. Insp. (6)
David R. Cooke, Flt. Crews (7)
Gerard Gilner, Elect. Fab. (7)
Carlos L. Geisbert, Elect. Fab. (7)
Walter J. McDonald, Prod. Deputy and Sta. Foreman (7)
Giovanni D. Evangelista, Maint-Rearrangement (12)
Everett S. Hall, Hydraulics (14)
John D. Stiegelmaier, ILS Pubs. Cntl. (15)
Robert D. McNiff, Cent. Shipping Cntl. (17)
Christopher W. Reimels, Plant Protection (18)
Gerard M. Rice, Trans-Ops. (20)
Walter J. Kowalchuk, Trans-Equip. Maint. (20)
Joseph VanDeWetering, Engg. Mgrs. (25)
Harold J. Quigley, Prog. Plng. Cntl. and Budg. (25)
Lillian A. Swan, Field Admin. and Liaison (28)
Leslie D. Brower Jr., Procurement Serv. (30)
Robert D. Owen, Pricing and Analy. (30)
Charles W. Maltman, Prog. Mgt/Calverton Facl. (30)
Richard K. Schwender, Prog. Mgt/Calverton Facl. (30)
John H. Tonkinson, Elect. Engg. (30)
Martin L. Goldberg, ILS Log. Sys. Dev. (35)
David M. Holmes, Environ. Cntl. Des. (35)
Alfred F. Vachris Jr., Aerodynamics Stf. (35)
Frank J. Savarese, Comm. Nav. and IFF (35)
James R. Riordan, Computer Interface (35)
John W. Cotter, TS Cust. Trng. Instructor (39)
Frederick L. Atkin, TS Cust. Trng. Mgt/Stf. (39)
George H. Smith, TS Cust. Trng. Visual Aids (39)
Lance Gonzalez, PPO E.W. (40)
Richard L. Ponzini, ILS Supply Ops. Proj. Mgt. (40)
Joseph Nalevaiko, ILS Cust. Orders and Rec. (40)
Robert E. Scholly Jr., Sys. Engg. Proj. Enggs. (40)
Terrence T. Walker, Config. Data Mgmt. (40)
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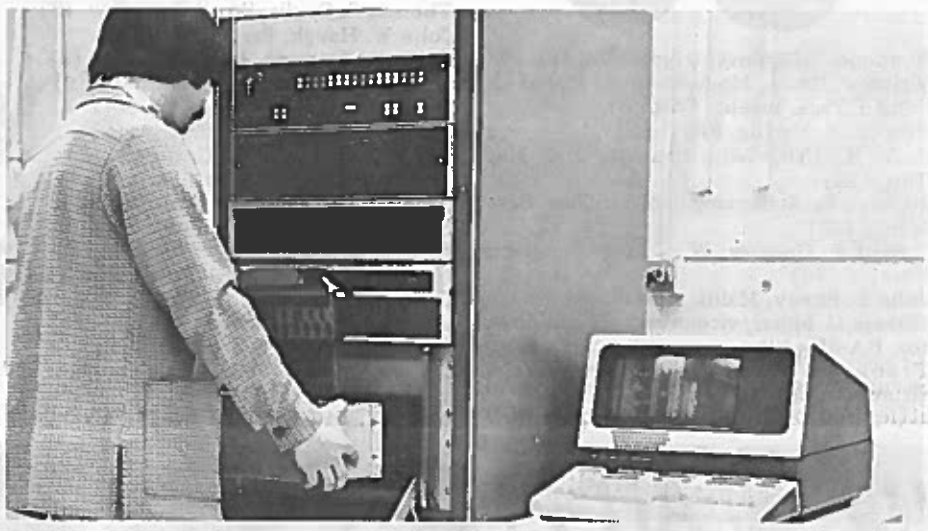


CAT-M sale. *The first CAT-M (Computerized Automatic Tester) was recently sold to General Electric Corporation in Utica, N.Y. A miniaturized version of the CAT-IIID used by the military, the CAT-M digital module tester was designed to compete against less expensive commercial testers in the Automated Test Equipment (ATE) market place. Total 'CAT' family sales thus far this year are in excess of $5-million.*

GAA offers shopping trip

The Grumman Athletic Association is offering Grummanites the opportunity to spend the weekend of December 3-4 in Reading and Hershey, Pennsylvania — an ideal time for some holiday gift shopping.

The weekend excursion costs $67 per person, based on double occupancy per room. The entire package includes round-trip bus transportation, accommodations at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Saturday night dinner, and Sunday breakfast and dinner.

On Saturday, the tour will entail shopping at Berkshire Mills, where everything is half price, and a visit to Christmas Village in the evening. On Sunday, the weekend travellers will visit the Hershey Clock Museum, Rose Garden, Chocolate World, and Founder's Hall.

Contact the GAA office for more information on Ext. 2133 or 2269.

Discount tix

The circus is coming to town and Employee Services is offering discount tickets to the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus at the Nassau Coliseum.

Regular $8 seats are marked down to $6; $7 to $5; and $5.50 to $3.50. Tickets are now on sale at all ES offices.

These discount tickets are available for the following performances only: Wednesday, November 23, 8 p.m.; Saturday, November 26, 11 a.m.; Monday, November 28, 8 p.m.; and Wednesday, November 30, 8 p.m.

The house that Mort built. *Grand award winner Morton Mantus (R) explains construction details of his dollhouse to deputy director of Security and Personnel Services Harry Volz. (Photos by Carl Lassig)*

Mantus builds doll house of grand award style

"I want to live in that. Do you think I could order one a little bit bigger?" Everyone at the GAA Hobby Show in Plant 28 loved Morton Mantus' dollhouse. . . . including the judges. From over 150 entries, the judges selected his for the grand award, a $100 U.S. Savings Bond. Morton made the little Victorian house out of 8,000 separate pieces.

"I made it for my niece Eliza," says Morton, who spent a year of his spare time on the house. Eliza, whose name is carved on the front, is only two years old. . ."a little too young to appreciate it, I guess," says Morton. He planned to have the house ready for Eliza when she was six, but completed the five-year project four years ahead of schedule.

However, quick work didn't keep him from getting every detail just right. The tiny shingles and roof tiles, the miniature floor boards and little porch railings are all in perfect scale.

At first, the copper flashing on the roof gave him a problem. . .it looked too new. So Morton, who works in Structural Mechanics in Plant 35, consulted the metallurgy department. "They were really helpful—told me what chemicals to use to give the copper an aged, weathered look," Mort says.

Another perfectionist, Carl Segerlind, won the special retiree award (a silver bowl) for best in show. Carl, who retired in 1975, won over the judges with his woodworking entry of three boat plaques. The three-dimensional boats—a yawl, a lobster boat, and a motor sailer—are finished in natural wood tones.

Picking up Grumman Hobby Show awards is getting to be a habit for Carl. In 1974, he took first prize in the woodwork division and won the retiree award in 1975.

"I've always loved working with wood," says Carl, who spent many years as a woodworker in the Plant 5 model shop. Boating is another of his hobbies. The retiree develops the designs for his plaques from pictures in boating magazines, or from boats he sees on the Great South Bay.

All entries were on display from October 7 through October 9. Other winners in this year's hobby show were (in order of their placement):

Ceramics - Norma Rooney, August Millang, Dorothy Buckley

Collections-Coin - Richard Van Valkenburgh, Kenneth Hale, Stanley Zadorga

Collections-Stamp - Lewis Gibson, John Pastoral, Erik Bjorkman

Collections-Miscellaneous - Malcolm Scharf, Edward Remski, Lauretta Kelly

Crocheting - Muriel De Beaumont, Kitty Zawadski, Mildred Collins

Embroidery - Paula Saur, Rita Mathia, Bonnie Simpers

General - Charles Martin, John Palmeri, Mildred Collins

Knitting - Marion Pancari, Mildred Reh, Josephine Gorlesky

Leather Work - Larry Johnston

Metal Work - Stanley Zadroga, Malcolm Gerry, John Ptacek

Models (Miscellaneous kits) Anthony Bambino, Edward Hanlon

Model Planes (flying-scale) - Arthur Faraci, Bob Aberle, Howard Applegate

Model Planes (flying-nonscale-original) - Wally Kranz, Donald Peters, Joe Kaltenback

Model Planes (nonflying-scale) - Jim Carmelitano, Bill Barto, Albert Badstuebner

Model Railroads - Bill Kiesel, Tom Rothwel, Ray Muntz

Needlework - Henrietta Wallace, Ether LoDolce, Charlotte Gold

Sewing - Paula Saur, Lillian Di Bernardo, Lauretta Kinscherf

Ship Models (kits) - Donald Imgram, Paul Andrisani

Ship Models (original) - Edward Miller, William Clark, Jr.

Model Railroads-Roadside Scenery - Dave Sharp, Ray Muntz

Wood Carving - Anthony Bambino, Anthony Zolek, Stanley Zadroga

Wood Work - Carl Segerlind, Robert Rose, Anthony Zoler

Unveil Art-Photo show

There's only a little more than two weeks left to mount your latest color print or frame your favorite watercolor landscape. The Grumman Athletic Association (GAA) will begin accepting entries for this year's Art and Photography Show on Monday, November 14.

All Grumman employees and retirees are invited to display their artistic endeavors in the Plant 28 auditorium. Entries will be accepted Monday through Wednesday, November 14-16, from noon to 1 and 4 to 6 p.m. daily. Those who work at Calverton should contact Sal Cordaro, Ext. 6559; at Great River, call Charles Greco, Ext. 2349. Both will arrange to have your entries transported to the show in time for the judging.

According to Mike Cherry of GAA, Grummanites may enter two items in any one category, but are limited to a maximum of five entries in the Art Show. Paintings should be framed, wired and ready for hanging. All artwork must have been completed during the past year — items from previous GAA Art exhibits will not be accepted.

This year's Art Show categories are: (1) oil, plastics, acrylics — landscapes, seascapes; still life, misc.; figure, portrait; nature; (2) watercolor; (3) pastels; (4) black and white, graphics, etc.; (5) sculpture; (6) non-objective, abstract, any medium.

Photographers may enter two items in any one division and a maximum of eight in the entire photo exhibit. All prints must be mounted and suitable for exhibition. Minimum acceptable print size (less framing) is 8x10 inches.

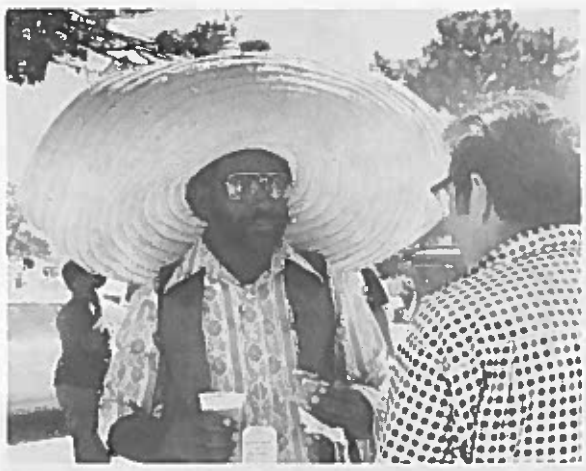
Slides are acceptable either in cardboard mounts or sandwiched between thin plates, and must be correctly spotted for projection. All submitted entries must be the work of the entrant. Trade processed prints will be accepted. All photos must have been shot during the past year.

Pix categories

The black and white prints, color prints and color slides divisions will be judged in the following categories: pictorial, nature, still life, and abstract; portraiture; human interest; and macrophotography.

The fourth division — snapshots — includes photos taken with hand-held camera and informally taken. The maximum size is 4x5 inches.

For additional information, call the GAA office, Ext. 2133 or 2269.



Distinguished guest. *Former U.S. Congressman Carl Vinson (L) who had 50 years experience in Congress chats with Vice President Bill Zarkowsky and Tillman Snead (C), a long-time associate of Vinson's, at the Milledgeville Picnic.*

Good times roll

Whether it's held under the shade of Long Island oaks, stately Georgia pines or Florida palms, Grumman family picnics have one thing in common; good times.

Grummanites and their families recently celebrated their third annual get together at Milledgeville, Georgia (photos at left). Relay races, "catch a greased pig," a live band, and a scruptious menu of barbequed pork, hot dogs, beer and ice cream, highlighted the all-day event.

Last week, Stuart Operations in Florida threw its annual family picnic (photos at right), complete with corn husking contests, barbequed beef dinner and cotton candy. Vice President Ed Dalva had a couple of New Yorkers in to help kick off the event: Grumman Aerospace Chairman and President George Skurla, Senior Vice President Larry Mead, and Vice President Tom Rozzi.

Joining the Grumman team at Stuart as their guests were over 250 Grumman retirees. Leading the contingent were retired Grumman Corporation Chairman Clint Towl, Senior Vice President George Titterton, and Vice President Jim Zusi.

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